



PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: 9D-EC-19337

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kevin Michael Ruppelt et al. :  
Serial No.: 09/480,344 : Group No.: 3625  
Filed: January 10, 2000 : Examiner: Smith, Jeffrey A.  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS :  
FOR PRODUCT SELECTION :  
ASSISTANCE :

**Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is:
  - Amendment in Response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2005 (23 pgs.)
  - Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Express Mail (3 pgs., *in duplicate*)
  - Return post card

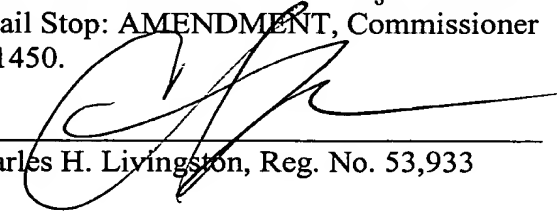
**STATUS**

2. Applicant
  - ☐ claims small entity status.
  - ☒ is other than a small entity.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL TO  
THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

**Express Mail No. EV 679303965 US**  
**Date: January 12, 2006**

I hereby certify that the documents listed above are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop: AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
Charles H. Livingston, Reg. No. 53,933

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$25.00 = \$		x \$50.00 = \$
		MINUS		=	x \$100.00 = \$		x \$200.00 = \$
—	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$180.00 = \$		+ \$360.00 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

- (a) ☒ No additional fee for Claims is required

**OR**

- (b) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FEE PAYMENT

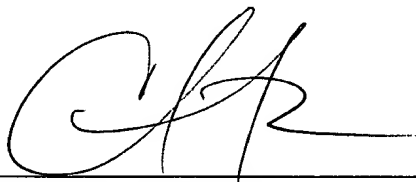
5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$450.00.  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

**AND/OR**

- ☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.
7. ☐ Other:



Charles H. Livingston  
Reg. No. 53,933  
ARMSTRONG TEASDALE LLP  
One Metropolitan Square, Suite 2600  
St. Louis, MO 63102  
314-621-5070

### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a)   X   Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<u>      </u> first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<u>  X  </u> second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<u>      </u> third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<u>      </u> fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
<u>      </u> fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

Fee:           \$450.00          

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

       An extension of        months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$        is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$       

OR

- (b)        Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

01-13-06

IF 3628  
9  
9D-EC-19337  
PATENT

Express Mail No. EV 679303965 US



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Kevin Michael Ruppelt et al.

:

Serial No.: 09/480,344

:

Art Unit: 3625

:

Filed: January 10, 2000

:

Examiner: Smith, Jeffrey A

:

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
PRODUCT SELECTION  
ASSISTANCE

:

:

:

:

#### AMENDMENT

Mail Stop: AMENDMENT  
Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2005, please amend the above identified application as follows.